AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards, and bicycles and the like comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface which is inclined for substantially its full engageable length and is supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly.

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- 2. (currently amended) The ramp assembly system of claim 1 with said bottom side of said straight ramp module adapted to be supported on said planar support surface of another of said straight ramp modules in a stacked relationship.
- 3. (currently amended) The ramp assembly system of claim 1 with either of said end walls at the ends of said straight ramp module adapted to be secured to the opposite end wall of another of said straight ramp modules and to said end wall of said inclined ramp module for end-to-end assembly.
- 4. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 1 with said inclined ramp module being of a generally hollow structure with said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall defining the bottom side of said inclined ramp module, said inclined ramp module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs of a generally thin wall thickness, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and said end wall to provide further support for said inclined ramp module at said bottom side, at least some of said ribs extending inwardly from the bottom of said inclined upper support surface with the contour of said upper support surface being substantially uniform in the area of said some of said ribs.
 - 5. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 1 with said straight ramp

module being of a generally hollow structure with said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls at opposite ends being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls defining the bottom side of said straight ramp module, said straight ramp module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs—of—a—generally—thin—wall thickness, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end wall to provide further support for said straight ramp module at said bottom side, at least some of said internal ribs extending generally inwardly from said planar upper support surface with the contour of said planar upper surface being substantially uniform in the area of said some of said ribs.

6. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 4 with said straight ramp module being of a generally hollow structure with said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls at opposite ends being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls defining the bottom side of said straight ramp module, said straight ramp module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs—of a generally thin wall thickness, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said rectangularly side walls and said end walls to provide further support for said straight ramp module at said bottom side, at least some of said internal ribs extending generally inwardly from said planar upper support surface with the contour of said planar upper surface being

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substantially uniform in the area of said some of said ribs.

- 7. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 1 wherein said inclined and straight upper support surfaces being of a substantially uniform contour and having have a textured, roughened finish to inhibit slippage.
- 8. (original) The ramp system of claim 1 wherein said ramp modules of at least two different configurations are made from a high density plastic such as a high density polyethylene.
- 9. (currently amended) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar

support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly, The ramp system of claim 1-including a foot member which is a strip-like generally U-shaped resilient structure adapted to be located on edges on at least one of said bottom side of said inclined ramp module and said bottom side of said straight module for contacting the ground surface to inhibit slippage,

said U-shaped structure having a channel portion with side sections spaced to accept said edges of varying thickness, said channel portion having an opening at its upper end with said side sections being located proximate to each other to at least partially close said opening and adapted to be resiliently moved apart when said edges are moved into said channel portion and to close to resiliently grip said edges to retain said foot member to said edges.

10. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 4 including a foot member which is a strip-like generally U-shaped resilient structure adapted to be located on edges on at least one of said bottom side of said inclined ramp module and said bottom side of said straight module for contacting the ground surface to inhibit slippage,

said foot member adapted to be applied to the edges on at least one of said lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and to the edges at said bottom portion of said some of said ribs of said inclined ramp module,

said U-shaped structure having a channel portion with side sections spaced to

accept said edges of varying thickness of said lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and said some of said ribs, said channel portion having an opening at its upper end with said side sections being located proximate to each other to at least partially close said opening and adapted to be resiliently moved apart when said edges are moved into said channel portion and to close to resiliently grip said edges to retain said foot member to said edges.

- 11. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 5 including a foot member which is a strip-like generally U-shaped resilient structure adapted to be located on edges on at least one of said bottom side of said inclined ramp module and said bottom side of said straight module for contacting the ground surface to inhibit slippage, said foot member adapted to be applied to the edges on at least one of said lower extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and to the edges at said bottom portion of said some of said ribs of said straight ramp module, said U-shaped structure having a channel portion with side sections spaced to accept said edges of varying thickness of said lower extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and said some of said ribs, said channel portion having an opening at its upper end with said side sections being located proximate to each other to at least partially close said opening and adapted to be resiliently moved apart when said edges are moved into said channel portion and to close to resiliently grip said edges to retain said foot member to said edges.
 - 12. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 1 including first attachment

means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment, said first attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove both integrally formed on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said end wall of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules.

- 13. (original) The ramp system of claim 12 including second attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for side-by-side alignment.
- 14. (original) The ramp system of claim 13 with said second attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove formed on said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined ramp module and on said rectangularly shaped side walls of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said inclined ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said inclined ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said inclined ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said inclined ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusion on one of

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said straight ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said straight ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said straight ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said straight ramp modules.

(currently amended) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of 15. selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly, The ramp system of claim 1 including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and

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said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment, said first attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said end wall of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end, said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be <u>located</u> in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit.

16. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 15 including second attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for side-by-side alignment, said second attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined ramp module and on said rectangularly shaped side walls of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said inclined ramp modules adapted

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to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said inclined ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said inclined ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said inclined ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said straight, ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said straight ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said straight ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said straight ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusion having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end,

said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be in said smaller groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit.

17. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 1 including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment and second attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for side-by-side alignment, said first attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove both integrally formed on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said end wall of said straight ramp module

with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules, said second attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove both integrally formed on said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined ramp module and on said rectangularly shaped side walls of said straight ramp module, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said inclined ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said inclined ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said inclined ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said inclined ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said straight, ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said straight ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said straight ramp modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said straight ramp modules.

18. (currently amended)The ramp system of claim 143 with said T-shaped protrusions and said T-shaped channel grooves of said first attachment means being operable with said T-shaped protrusions and said T-shaped channel grooves of said second attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-side alignment.

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- 19. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 1 wherein the angle of inclination of said inclined upper support surface on said inclined ramp module is about 19°, said end wall of said inclined ramp module and said end walls of said straight ramp module each having a transverse width of around 25.5 inches and vertical height of around 12 inches, said side walls of said inclined ramp module and said side walls of said straight ramp module having a longitudinal length of around 36 inches.
- 20. (currently amended) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of

said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly, The ramp system of claim 1 said ramp system being formable-formed in a stacked relationship with a first said inclined ramp module at the entrance at the ground surface connected end-to-end with one said straight ramp module at the ground surface, and including a second inclined ramp module supported on said planar support surface on said straight ramp module with said inclined surfaces of said first and second inclined ramp modules being in line, said ramp system including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment, said first attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one Tshaped channel groove on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said end wall of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end,

said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit and with a peripheral gap at the upper ends of

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said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove,

said T-shaped protrusion being open at its lower end, connecting means for connecting said second inclined ramp module to said straight ramp module when in a stacked assembly, said connecting means including a generally T-shaped connector having a T-shaped opening at its lower end, said T-shaped opening adapted to fit over the upper end of the T-shaped protrusion on said straight ramp module,

the upper end of said T-shaped connector adapted to fit within the opening at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion whereby said second inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module will be secured together in the stacked condition.

- 21. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 420 with said upper end of said T-shaped connector having a stop position portion adapted to engage said lower end of said T-shaped protrusion to provide a preselected, limited amount of movement of said upper end of said T-shaped connector within said lower end of said T-shaped protrusion.
- 22. (currently amended)<u>A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper</u>

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end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly, said The ramp system of claim 1 formedbeing formable in a stacked relationship with a first said inclined ramp module at the entrance at the ground surface connected end-to-end with one said straight ramp module at the ground surface, and including a second inclined ramp module supported on said planar support surface on said straight ramp module with said inclined surfaces of said first and second inclined ramp modules being in line, said ramp system including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment, connecting means for connecting said second inclined ramp module to said straight ramp module when in a stacked assembly[;], said inclined ramp modules having a generally resilient lip structure extending from the lower end of said inclined surfaces,

said lip structure being of a preselected length to locate said lip structure of said second inclined ramp module proximate to the upper end of said inclined surface of said first inclined ramp module to provide a generally smooth transition between said inclined

surfaces.

23. (currently amended)A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards, and bicycles and the like comprising ramp modules of at least two different—configurations, —one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface which is inclined for substantially its full engageable length and is supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be located adjacent to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly.

the longitudinal length of said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined ramp module and the longitudinal length of said straight ramp module being substantially the same and the transverse width of said inclined ramp module and said straight ramp

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module being substantially the same to facilitate location of said bottom side of said inclined ramp module in a stacked aligned location upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module,

said end wall of said inclined ramp module being substantially of the same size as said end walls of said straight ramp module to facilitate end-to-end location and alignment.

24. (currently amended) The A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be located adjacent to one of said end walls of

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said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly,

the longitudinal length of said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined ramp module and the longitudinal length of said straight ramp module being substantially the same and the transverse width of said inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module being substantially the same to facilitate location of said bottom side of said inclined ramp module in a stacked aligned location upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module.

said end wall of said inclined ramp module being substantially of the same size as said end walls of said straight ramp module to facilitate end-to-end location and alignment,

said ramp system of claim 23-formed in a stacked relationship with a first said inclined ramp module at the entrance at the ground surface connected end-to-end with one said straight ramp module at the ground surface, and including a second inclined ramp module supported on said planar support surface on said straight ramp module with said inclined surfaces of said first and second inclined ramp modules being in line, said ramp system including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment, said first attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said one end wall of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly matingly moved into

said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end,

said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit and with a peripheral gap at the upper ends of said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove,

said T-shaped protrusion being open at its lower end,

connecting means for connecting said second inclined ramp module to said straight ramp module when in a stacked assembly, said connecting means including a generally T-shaped connector having an T-shaped opening at its lower end, said T-shaped opening adapted to fit over the upper end of the T-shaped protrusion on said straight ramp module,

the upper end of said T-shaped connector adapted to fit within the opening at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion whereby said second inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module will be secured together in the stacked condition.

25. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 23 with said inclined ramp module being of a generally hollow structure with said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall defining the bottom side of said inclined ramp module, said inclined ramp module having a plurality of longitudinally and

transversely extending internal ribs-of-a generally thin wall thickness, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and said end wall to provide further support for said inclined ramp module at said bottom side, said straight ramp module being of a generally hollow structure with said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls at opposite ends being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls defining the bottom side of said straight ramp module, said straight ramp module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs of a generally thin wall thickness, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and said end wall to provide further support for said straight ramp module at said bottom side, at least some of said ribs extending inwardly from the bottom of said inclined upper support surface with the contour of said upper support surface being substantially uniform in the area of said some of said ribs.

26. (currently amended) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper

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end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be located adjacent to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly,

the longitudinal length of said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined ramp module and the longitudinal length of said straight ramp module being substantially the same and the transverse width of said inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module being substantially the same to facilitate location of said bottom side of said inclined ramp module in a stacked aligned location upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module.

said end wall of said inclined ramp module being substantially of the same size as said end walls of said straight ramp module to facilitate end-to-end location and alignment, Thesaid ramp system of claim 23-including a foot member which is a strip-like generally U-shaped-resilient structure adapted to be located on at least one of the edges including edges at said bottom side of said inclined ramp module and said bottom side of said straight module for contacting the ground surface to inhibit slippage,

said foot member adapted to be applied to said edges including the edges of said

lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and to-the edges at said bottom portion of said some of said ribs of said inclined ramp module and to-the edges of said lower extremities of said rectangularly shaped side walls and to-the edges at said bottom portion of said some of said ribs of said straight ramp module,

said U-shaped structure foot member when applied to said at least one of the edges defininghaving a channel portion when applied with side sections spaced to accepting said edges of varying thickness of said lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined ramp module and said some of said ribs of said inclined ramp module and of said straight ramp module, said channel portion as applied having an opening at its upper end with said side sections being located proximate to each other adapted to at least partially close said opening and adapted to be resiliently moved apart when said edges of said inclined ramp module and of said straight ramp module are moved into said channel portion and to close to resiliently grip said edges to retain said foot member to said at least one of said edges.

27. (currently amended)AThe ramp system of claim 1 for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of skates, skateboards, bicycles and the like comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp

module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having and walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a with said bottom side of said straight ramp module engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported on said planar support surface of another of said straight ramp modules in a stacked relationship, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly, either one of said end walls at one end of said straight ramp module adapted to be secured to anthe epposite end wall of another of said straight module for end-to-end assembly.

said end wall of said inclined ramp module and said end walls of said straight ramp module having substantially the same transverse width and substantially the same vertical height and with said side walls of said inclined ramp module and said side walls of said straight ramp module having longitudinal lengths, said transverse width of said end walls of said straight and inclined ramp modules being no greater than said longitudinal lengths of said side walls of said straight ramp module.

28. (currently amended) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module

configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported on said planar support surface of another of said straight ramp modules in a stacked relationship, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly, either one of said end walls at one end of said straight ramp module adapted to be secured to an end wall of another of said straight module for end-to-end assembly, The ramp system of claim 27 including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment, said first attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said end wall of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-

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shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end, said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be <u>located</u> in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit.

29. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 27 A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked

relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported on said planar support surface of another of said straight ramp modules in a stacked relationship, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly, either one of said end walls at one end of said straight ramp module adapted to be secured to the opposite end wall of another of said straight module for end-to-end assembly, said ramp being formableformed in a stacked relationship with a first said inclined ramp module at the entrance at the ground surface connected end-to-end with one said straight ramp module at the ground surface, and including a second inclined ramp module supported on said planar support surface on said straight ramp module with said inclined surfaces of said first and second inclined ramp modules being in line, said ramp system including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment, said first attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said one end wall of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules, said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end,

said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small

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groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be <u>located</u> in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit and with a peripheral gap at the upper ends of said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove,

said T-shaped protrusion being open at its lower end, connecting means for connecting said second inclined ramp module to said straight ramp module when in a stacked assembly, said connecting means including a generally T-shaped connector having a T-shaped opening at its lower end, said T-shaped opening adapted to fit over the upper end of the T-shaped protrusion on said straight ramp module,

the upper end of said T-shaped connector adapted to fit within the opening at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion whereby said second inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module will be secured together in the stacked condition.

30. (currently amended) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of <u>rideable wheeled recreational products including</u> skates, skateboards, and bicycles and the like comprising at least one ramp module of a configuration being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to an end wall of another ramp module for end-to-end assembly, attachment means for selectively connecting said

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inclined ramp module and said other ramp module for end-to-end alignment, said attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion <u>integrally formed</u> on one of said end wall of said inclined ramp module and an end wall of said other ramp module and at least one T-shaped channel groove <u>integrally formed</u> on the other one of said end wall of said inclined ramp module and the end wall of said other ramp module, said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove.

- 31. (currently amended) The ramp system of claim 30 with said inclined ramp module being of a generally hollow structure with said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall defining the bottom side of said inclined ramp module, said inclined ramp module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs of a generally thin wall thickness, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and said end wall to provide further support for said inclined ramp module at said bottom side, at least some of said ribs being of a generally thin width and extending inwardly from the bottom of said inclined upper support surface with the contour of said upper support surface being substantially uniform in the area of said some of said ribs.
- 32. (new) The ramp system of claim 30 with said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small

protrusion section at its upper end, said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be located in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit.

33. (new) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising a plurality of ramp modules including at least one ramp module of a configuration being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to an end wall of another ramp module for end-to-end assembly, attachment means for selectively connecting said inclined ramp module and said other ramp module for end-to-end alignment, said attachment means comprising at least one first attachment structure integrally formed on one of said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on an end wall of said other ramp module and at least one second attachment structure integrally formed on the other one of said end wall of said inclined ramp module and the end wall of said other ramp module, said first and second attachment structures being of different interfitting

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constructions with said first attachment structure adapted to be engaged with said second attachment structure to lockingly secure said ramp modules together.

34. (new) The ramp system of claim 33 with said inclined ramp module being of a generally hollow structure with said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and end wall defining the bottom side of said inclined ramp module, said inclined ramp module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said triangularly shaped side walls and said end wall to provide further support for said inclined ramp module at said bottom side,

at least some of said ribs extending inwardly from the bottom of said inclined upper support surface with the contour of said upper support surface being substantially uniform in the area of said some of said ribs.

35. (new) A ramp system for forming ramp assemblies for providing aerial lift to users of rideable wheeled recreational products including skates, skateboards and bicycles comprising ramp modules of at least two different configurations, one of said at least two ramp module configurations being an inclined ramp module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length,

said inclined ramp module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and

at the upper end of said inclined surface,

another of said at least two module configurations being a straight ramp module having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length,

said straight ramp module having end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said inclined ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface and alternatively adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight ramp module in a stacked relationship, said straight ramp module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be secured to one of said end walls of said straight ramp module for end-to-end assembly,

said ramp system being formable in a stacked relationship with a first said inclined ramp module at the entrance at the ground surface connected end-to-end with said straight ramp module at the ground surface, and including a second inclined ramp module supported on said planar support surface on said straight ramp module with said inclined surfaces of said first and second inclined ramp modules being in line,

said ramp system including first attachment means for connecting selected ones of said inclined ramp modules and said straight ramp modules for end-to-end alignment,

said ramp system including second attachment means for connecting said inclined ramp modules side-by-side and for connecting said straight ramp modules side-by-side,

said second attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said side wall of said inclined ramp module

and on said side wall of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each,

said T-shaped protrusion on said second inclined ramp module adapted to be in line with said T-shaped protrusion on said straight ramp module when supported on said upper support surface of said straight ramp module, said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly matingly movable into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules,

said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end, said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end, said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be located in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit and with a peripheral gap at the upper ends of said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove, said T-shaped protrusion being open at its lower end,

connecting means for connecting said second inclined ramp module to said straight ramp module when in a stacked assembly, said connecting means including a connector having an opening at its lower end, said opening adapted to fit over the upper end of the T-shaped protrusion on said straight ramp module, the upper end of said connector adapted to fit within the opening at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion on said second inclined ramp module whereby said second inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module will be secured together in the stacked condition.

36. (new) The ramp system of claim 35 with said first attachment means

comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said end wall of said inclined ramp module and on said end walls of said straight ramp module with the same spacing between each,

said T-shaped protrusion on one of said ramp modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on another of said ramp modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said ramp modules being slidingly matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said ramp modules,

said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end,

said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end, said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit and with a peripheral gap at the upper ends of said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove, said T-shaped protrusion being open at its lower end,

said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove on the end wall of said second inclined ramp being in line with said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove on the end wall of said straight ramp module when supported on said upper support surface,

said opening of said connector adapted to fit over the upper end of said T-shaped protrusion on said end wall of said straight ramp module, the upper end of said connector adapted to fit within the opening at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion

on said end wall of said second inclined ramp whereby said second inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module will be secured together in the stacked condition.

- 37. (new) The ramp system of claim 36 with said connectors of said connecting means being T-shaped with said opening at said lower end being T-shaped and adapted to fit over the upper end of the T-shaped protrusions on said inclined and straight ramp modules and with said upper ends of said T-shaped protrusions of said inclined and straight ramp modules adapted to fit within the opening at said lower ends of said T-shaped protrusions whereby said second inclined ramp module and said straight ramp module will be secured together in the stacked condition.
- 38. (new) The ramp system of claim 1 wherein said end wall of said inclined ramp module and said end walls of said straight ramp module having substantially the same transverse width and substantially the same vertical height and with said side walls of said inclined ramp module and said side walls of said straight ramp module having substantially the same longitudinal length, said transverse width of said end walls being no greater than said longitudinal length of said side walls.
- 39. (new) The ramp system of claim 1 wherein said end wall of said inclined ramp module and said end walls of said straight ramp module having substantially the same transverse width and substantially the same vertical height and with said side walls of said inclined ramp module and said side walls of said straight ramp module having the substantially same longitudinal length, said transverse width of said end

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walls of said straight and inclined ramp modules being no greater than said longitudinal length of said side walls of said straight ramp module, said end wall of said inclined ramp module adapted to be connected to said side wall of said straight ramp module for end-to-side alignment.

40. (new) A modular system for forming modular assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing support to users comprising a plurality of straight modules each having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight modules having generally rectangularly shaped end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said straight modules each having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end walls of said straight modules adapted to be secured to said end walls of another of said straight modules for end-to-end assembly, said side walls of said straight modules adapted to be secured to said side walls of another of said straight modules for side-by-side assembly, attachment means for selectively connecting said straight modules for end-to-end alignment and for sideby-side alignment, said attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove both integrally formed on said end walls and said side walls of said straight modules with the same spacing between each, said Tshaped protrusions on one of said straight modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel grooves on another of said straight modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said straight modules being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said straight modules.

- 41. (new) The modular system of claim 40 with said bottom side being alternatively adapted to be supported on said planar support surface of another of said straight modules in a stacked relationship, connecting means for connecting said straight modules together when in a stacked assembly, said connecting means operable with the T-shaped protrusions on said straight modules when stacked whereby said straight modules will be secured together in the stacked condition.
- 42. (new) The modular system of claim 41 with said straight module being of a generally hollow structure with said generally rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls at opposite ends being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said generally rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls defining the bottom side of said straight module, said straight module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said generally rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls to provide further support for said straight module at said bottom side, at least some of said internal ribs extending generally inwardly from said planar upper support surface.
- 43. (new) The modular system of claim 40 being formed as a ramped system and including an inclined module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls, said inclined module having an end wall at one

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end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, said inclined module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined module adapted to be connected to one of said walls of said straight module, said end wall of said inclined module and said walls of said straight module being of substantially the same vertical height, second attachment means for connecting said inclined module and said straight modules, said second attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove both integrally formed on said end wall of said inclined module with the same spacing between each as said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove on said straight module, said T-shaped protrusion on said inclined module adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said straight module with said T-shaped protrusion on said straight module being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said straight module.

- 44. (new) The modular system of claim 40 with said walls of said straight module having a vertical height of no less than around 12 inches.
- 45. (new) A modular system for forming modular assemblies of selectively variable configurations for providing support to users comprising a plurality of straight modules each having a generally horizontal, planar upper support surface supported on generally rectangularly shaped side walls substantially over its length, said straight modules having generally rectangularly shaped end walls at opposite ends of said side walls and said straight support surface, said straight modules each having a bottom side

engageable with a ground surface, said end walls of said straight modules adapted to be secured to said end walls of another of said straight modules for end-to-end assembly, said side walls of said straight modules adapted to be secured to side walls of another of said straight modules for side-by-side assembly, attachment means for selectively connecting said straight modules for end-to-end alignment and for side-by-side alignment, said attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove both integrally formed on said end walls and said side walls of said straight modules with the same spacing between each, said T-shaped protrusions on one of said straight modules adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel grooves on another of said straight modules with said T-shaped protrusion on said another of said straight modules being slidingly matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said one of said straight modules,

said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end, said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section at its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion adapted to be located in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit.

46. (new) The modular system of claim 45 with said bottom side of said straight modules being alternatively adapted to be supported on said planar support

surface of another of said straight modules in a stacked relationship,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion when located in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit having a peripheral gap at the upper ends of said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove,

said T-shaped protrusion being open at its lower end,

connecting means for connecting said straight modules when in a stacked assembly, said connecting means including a generally T-shaped connector having a T-shaped opening at its lower end, said T-shaped opening adapted to fit over the upper end of the T-shaped protrusion on said straight module,

the upper end of said T-shaped connector adapted to fit within the opening at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion whereby said straight modules will be secured together in the stacked condition.

47. (new) The modular system of claim 46 with said straight module being of a generally hollow structure with said generally rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls at opposite ends being of a relatively thin wall thickness, the lower extremities of said generally rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls defining the bottom side of said straight module, said straight module having a plurality of longitudinally and transversely extending internal ribs, at least some of said internal ribs having at least a bottom portion extending downwardly to substantially the same location as the extremities of said generally rectangularly shaped side walls and said end walls to provide further support for said straight module at said bottom side, at least some of

said internal ribs extending generally inwardly from said planar upper support surface.

- 48. (new) The modular system of claim 45 being formed as a ramped system and including an inclined module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls, said inclined module having an end wall at one end of said side walls and at the upper end of said inclined surface, said inclined module having a bottom side engageable with a ground surface, said end wall of said inclined module adapted to be connected to one of said walls of said straight module, said end wall of said inclined module and said walls of said straight module being of substantially the same vertical height, second attachment means for connecting said inclined module and said straight modules, said second attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove both integrally formed on said end wall of said inclined module with the same spacing between each as said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove on said straight module, said T-shaped protrusion on said inclined module adapted to be slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said straight module with said T-shaped protrusion on said straight module being slidingly, matingly moved into said T-shaped channel groove on said inclined module.
- 49. (new) The modular system of claim 45 being formed as a ramped system and including an inclined module having an inclined upper support surface supported on generally triangularly shaped side walls, said inclined module having a bottom side adapted to be supported upon said planar support surface of said straight module in a

stacked relationship,

the longitudinal length of said triangularly shaped side walls of said inclined module and the longitudinal length of said straight module being substantially the same to facilitate location of said bottom side of said inclined module in a stacked aligned location upon said planar support surface of said straight module, said end wall of said inclined module and said walls of said straight module being of substantially the same vertical height, second attachment means comprising at least one T-shaped protrusion and at least one T-shaped channel groove on said walls of said inclined module with the same spacing between each as said T-shaped protrusion and said T-shaped channel groove on said straight modules,

said T-shaped protrusions having a configuration tapering from a large protrusion section on its lower end to a small protrusion section at its upper end,

said T-shaped channel groove having a configuration tapering from a small groove section at its lower end to a large groove section as its upper end,

said large protrusion section at the lower end of said t-shaped protrusion adapted to be in said small groove section at the lower end of said T-shaped channel groove with a relatively close tolerance fit and with a peripheral gap at the upper ends of said T-shaped protrusion and said t-shaped channel groove,

said T-shaped protrusion being open at its lower end,

connecting means for connecting said inclined module to said straight module when in a stacked assembly, said connecting means including a connector having an opening at its lower end, said opening adapted to fit over the upper end of the T-shaped protrusion on said straight module,

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the upper end of said connector adapted to fit within the opening at the lower end of said T-shaped protrusion whereby said inclined module and said straight module will be secured together in the stacked condition.

50. (new) The modular system of claim 45 with said walls of said straight module having a vertical height of no less than around 12 inches.